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Response to Arguments

1. Applicant's argument with respect to claim 1-24 have been considered but are moot in view of the new ground(s) of rejection.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

- 2. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:
 - (a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negatived by the manner in which the invention was made.
- 3. Claims 8-9 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Suda (U.S.Pat-6122518) in view of Ihara et al. (U.S.Pat-6366773), and further in view of Basu et al. (U.S.Pat-6219539).

Regarding claim 8, Suda teaches a wireless data system (fig.1), comprising:

a first access node (fig.1, mobile stations 6-1, PHS base stations 2-1) receiving a first network service (fig.1, fig.1, control unit 4, switching network 1, col.2, lines 52-58, col.3, lines 11-14);

a first private access network (fig.1, control unit 4, switching network 1, col.1, lines 26-36) transceiver system setting up a session when the first access node moves within the wireless service area of the first private access network transceiver (fig.4-8d, control unit 4, switching network 1, col.2, line 52 to col.3, line 14);

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a private access network controller (fig.1, control unit 4, switching network 1, control unit 4, memory 5) carrying out a call connection between the access nodes (col.3, lines 29) and to provide data service for the first and second access nodes (col.2, line 52 to col.3, line 14) when the first access node makes a request for a call connection with the second access node coupled to the first network service (col.2, line 52 to col.3, line 14) and the private access network controller requesting state information of the first and second access nodes to be updated (fig.4-8d, col.3, lines 1-47), the state information indicating an idle state or a busy state of the access nodes (fig.4, col.3, lines 1-10).

Suda fails to specifically disclose a second access node receiving a second network service; and a second private access network transceiver system setting up a session when the second access node moves within the wireless service area of the second private access network transceiver. However, Ihara teaches a second access node (nodes A-C) receiving a second network service (fig.7, abstract, co1.11, line 1 to co1.12, line 27); and a second private access network transceiver system setting up a session when the second access node moves within the wireless service area of the second private access network transceiver (fig.7, abstract, co1.11, line 1 to co1.12, line 27). Therefore, it would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art at the time invention was made to apply to teaching of Ihara to Suda to provide a technique of allowing a radio terminal that can be used both in a private branch exchange network and a public exchange network to terminate a call.

Suda and Ihara fail to specifically disclose a data location register transmitting the state information of the access nodes to a public network in response to a request for the state information of the access nodes by the public network. However, Basu teaches a data location register transmitting the state information of the access nodes to a public network in response to a request for the state information of the access nodes by the public network (fig.1 and 5D, col.13, lines 10-14 and 22-33). Therefore, it would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art at the time invention was made to apply to teaching of Basu to Suda and Ihara to provide a method for implementing a private wireless communication system while still maintaining the availability of technology.

Regarding claim 9, Suda, Ihara, and Basu further teach the system of claim 8, further comprising a data location register updating the state information of the access nodes to busy state information according to a state information update request (see Suda, fig.4-8d, col.3, lines 1-14).

4. Claims 1-4, 10-15, and 18-24 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Suda (U.S.Pat-6122518) in view of Basu et al. (U.S.Pat-6219539) further in view of Lu et al. (U.S.Pat-5999813).

Regarding claim 1, Suda teaches a method for performing a call processing operation to manage state information of access nodes in a wireless data system (fig.1, PHS base stations 2-1, 2-2, mobile stations 6-1,6-2, 6-3, 6-4, switching network 1), comprising the steps of:

when an access node (fig.1, mobile stations 6-1, PHS base stations 2-1) coupled to a wireless private network makes a request for a call connection with another access node (col.3, lines 11-29) coupled to the wireless private network (fig.1, control unit 4, switching network 1, col.2, lines 52-58, col.3, lines 11-14), carrying out a call connection between the access nodes (fig.1, control unit 4, switching network 1, col.2, lines 52-58, col.3, lines 11-14); and providing a high-speed (not show) wireless data service for the access nodes (col.1, lines 26-34), and carrying out a call connection release after completing the high-speed wireless data service (not show); and

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updating state information of the access nodes according to the call connection (fig.4-8d, col.3, lines 1-47) and connection release between the access nodes (not show), the state information indicating an idle state or a busy state of the access nodes (fig.4, col.3, lines 1-10).

Suda fails to specifically disclose transmitting the state information of the access nodes to a public network in response to a request for the state information of the access nodes by the public network. However, Basu teaches transmitting the state information of the access nodes to a public network in response to a request for the state information of the access nodes by the public network (fig.1 and 5D, col.13, lines 10-14 and 22-33). Therefore, it would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art at the time invention was made to apply to teaching of Basu to Suda to provide a method for implementing a private wireless communication system while still maintaining the availability of technology.

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Suda and Basu fail to specifically disclose carrying out a call connection release after completing the high-speed wireless data service, and connection release between the access nodes. However, Lu teaches carrying out a call connection release after completing the high-speed (hybrid network) wireless data service (fig.18, col.33, lines 3-36), and connection release between the access nodes (fig.18, col.33, lines 3-36). Therefore, it would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art at the time invention was made to apply the teaching of Lu to Suda and Basu to exchange network resources between private network and public network (improve communication quality and network bandwidth, while simplifying implementation, maintenance, and upgrade).

Regarding claim 2, Suda teaches a method for performing a call processing operation to manage state information of access nodes in a wireless data system (fig.1, PHS base stations 2-1, 2-2, mobile stations 6-1,6-2, 6-3, 6-4, switching network 1), comprising the steps of:

when an access node (fig.1, mobile stations 6-1, PHS base stations 2-1) coupled to a wireless private network makes a request for a call connection with another access node (col.3, lines 11-29) coupled to the wireless private network (fig.1, control unit 4, switching network 1, col.2, lines 52-58, col.3, lines 11-14), carrying out a call connection between the access nodes (col.3, lines 11-29) and providing a high-speed (not show) wireless data service for the access nodes (abstract, col.1, lines 26-34);

updating state information of the access nodes to busy state information (fig.4-8d, col.3, lines 1-47); and

when the high-speed (not show) wireless data service for the access nodes is completed (col.1, lines 26-34), carrying out a call connection release (not show);

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updating the state information of the access nodes to idle state information according to the call connection release (not show) (fig.4-8d, col.3, lines 1-47).

Suda fails to specifically disclose transmitting the state information of the access nodes to the public network in response to a public network requesting the state information of the access nodes. However, Basu teaches transmitting the state information of the access nodes to the public network in response to a public network requesting the state information of the access nodes (fig.1 and 5D, col.13, lines 10-14 and 22-33). Therefore, it would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art at the time invention was made to apply to teaching of Basu to Suda to provide a method for implementing a private wireless communication system while still maintaining the availability of technology.

Suda and Basu fail to specifically disclose high-speed wireless, and carrying out a call connection release and the call connection release. However, Lu teaches high-speed wireless (hybrid network), and carrying out a call connection release (fig.18, col.33, lines 3-36) and the call connection release (fig.18, col.33, lines 3-36). Therefore, it would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art at the time invention was made to apply to teaching of Lu to Suda and Basu to exchange network resources between private network and public network (improve communication quality and network bandwidth, while simplifying implementation, maintenance, and upgrade).

Regarding claim 3, Suda teaches a method for performing a call processing operation to manage state information of access nodes in a wireless data system (fig.1, PHS base stations 2-1, 2-2, mobile stations 6-1,6-2, 6-3, 6-4, switching network 1), comprising the steps of:

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when an access node (fig.1, mobile stations 6-1, PHS base stations 2-1) coupled to a wireless private network makes a request for a call connection with another access node (col.3, lines 11-29) coupled to the wireless private network (fig.1, control unit 4, switching network 1, col.2, lines 52-58, col.3, lines 11-14), allowing a private access network controller to carry out a call connection between the access nodes (col.3, lines 11-29) and to provide a high-speed (not show) wireless data service for the access nodes (abstract, col.1, lines 26-34);

allowing the private access network controller to request that state information of the access nodes be updated (fig.4-8d, col.3, lines 1-47);

allowing a data location register to update the state information of the access nodes to busy state information according to a state information update request (fig.4-8d, col.3, lines 1-47);

when the high-speed (not show) wireless data service for the access nodes is completed (col.1, lines 26-34), carrying out a call connection release between the access nodes (not show) and allowing the private access network controller to request that the state information of the access nodes be updated (fig.4-8d, col.3, lines 1-47); and

allowing the data location register to update the state information of the access nodes to idle state information according to another state information update request (fig.4-8d, col.3, lines 1-47).

Suda fails to specifically disclose allowing the data location register to transmitting the state information of the access nodes to a public network in response to a request for the state information of the access nodes by the public network. However, Basu teaches allowing the data location register to transmitting the state information of the access nodes to a public network in response to a request for the state information of the access nodes by the public network (fig.1 and 5D, col.13, lines 10-14 and 22-33). Therefore, it would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art at the time invention was made to apply to teaching of Basu to Suda to provide a method for implementing a private wireless communication system while still maintaining the availability of technology.

Suda and Basu fail to specifically disclose high-speed wireless, and carrying out a call connection release between the access nodes. However, Lu teaches high-speed wireless (hybrid network), and carrying out a call connection release between the access nodes (fig.18, col.33, lines 3-36). Therefore, it would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art at the time invention was made to apply to teaching of Lu to Suda and Basu to exchange network resources between private network and public network (improve communication quality and network bandwidth, while simplifying implementation, maintenance, and upgrade).

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Regarding claim 4, Suda, Basu, and Lu further teach the method of claim 3, with the data location register storing (see Suda, fig.1, memory 5) the information associated with the access node requesting for the call connection being equal to the information associated with the other access node (see Suda, fig.3-4, col.3, lines 1-10).

Regarding claim 10, Suda and Basu further teach the system of claim 9, with the private access network controller requesting that the state information of the access nodes be updated (see Suda, fig.4-8d, col.3, lines 1-47),

However, Suda fails to specifically disclose high-speed wireless, and carrying out a call connection release between the access nodes when the data service for the access nodes is completed. Lu teaches high-speed wireless (hybrid network), and carrying out a call connection release between the access nodes when the data service for the access nodes is completed (fig.18, col.33, lines 3-36). Therefore, it would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art at the time invention was made to apply to teaching of Lu to Suda and Basu to exchange network resources between private network and public network (improve communication quality and network bandwidth, while simplifying implementation, maintenance, and upgrade).

Regarding claim 11, Suda, Basu, and Lu further teach the system of claim 10, with the data location register updating the state information of the access nodes to idle state information according to another state information update request (see Suda, fig.3-4, col.3, lines 1-47).

Regarding claim 12, Suda, Basu, and Lu further teach the system of claim 11, with the first network service being a wireless private network (see Suda, fig.1, col.2, lines 26-33, see Basu, item 101).

Regarding claim 13, Suda, Basu, and Lu further teach the system of claim 12, with the second network service being a public land mobile network (see Suda, col.2, lines 52-58, see Basu, items 102 and 108).

Regarding claim 14, Suda, Basu, and Lu further teach the system of claim 12, with the second network service being a public network (see Suda, col.2, lines 52-58).

Regarding claim 15, Suda, Basu, and Lu further teach the system of claim 13, with the data location register storing the information associated with the first access node of the wireless private network equal to the information associated with the second access node of the public land mobile network (see Suda, col.3, lines 1-10).

Regarding claim 18, Suda teaches computer-readable medium having computer-executable instructions for performing a method for performing a call processing operation to manage state information of access nodes in high-speed wireless (not show) data system (fig.1, PHS base stations 2-1, 2-2, mobile stations 6-1,6-2, 6-3, 6-4, switching network 1), comprising:

when an access node (fig.1, mobile stations 6-1, PHS base stations 2-1) coupled to a wireless private network makes a request for a call connection with another access node (col.3, lines 11-29) coupled to the wireless private network (fig.1, control unit 4, switching network 1, col.2, lines 52-58, col.3, lines 11-14), carrying out a call connection

between the access nodes (fig.1, control unit 4, switching network 1, col.2, lines 52-58, col.3, lines 11-14), providing a high-speed wireless (not show) data service for the access nodes (col.1, lines 26-34), and carrying out a call connection release after completing the wireless data service (not show); and

updating state information of the access nodes according to the call connection (fig.4-8d, col.3, lines 1-47) and connection release between the access nodes (not show), the state information indicating an idle state or a busy state of the access nodes (fig.4, col.3, lines 1-10).

Suda fails to specifically disclose transmitting the state information of the access nodes to a public network in response to a request for the state information of the access nodes by the public network. However, Basu teaches transmitting the state information of the access nodes to a public network in response to a request for the state information of the access nodes by the public network (fig.1 and 5D, col.13, lines 10-14 and 22-33). Therefore, it would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art at the time invention was made to apply to teaching of Basu to Suda to provide a method for implementing a private wireless communication system while still maintaining the availability of technology.

Suda and Basu fail to specifically disclose high-speed wireless, and carrying out a call connection release after completing the wireless data service, and connection release between the access nodes. However, Lu teaches high-speed wireless (hybrid network), and carrying out a call connection release after completing the wireless data

service (fig.18, col.33, lines 3-36), and connection release between the access nodes (fig.18, col.33, lines 3-36). Therefore, it would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art at the time invention was made to apply the teaching of Lu to Suda and Basu to exchange network resources between private network and public network (improve communication quality and network bandwidth, while simplifying implementation, maintenance, and upgrade).

Regarding claim 19, Suda teaches a computer-readable medium having computer-executable instructions for performing a method for performing a call processing operation to manage state information of access nodes in a high-speed wireless (not show) data system (fig.1, PHS base stations 2-1, 2-2, mobile stations 6-1,6-2, 6-3, 6-4, switching network 1, control unit 4, memory 5), comprising:

when an access node (fig.1, mobile stations 6-1, PHS base stations 2-1) coupled to a wireless private network makes a request for a call connection with another access node (col.3, lines 11-29) coupled to the wireless private network (fig.1, control unit 4, switching network 1, col.2, lines 52-58, col.3, lines 11-14), carrying out a call connection between the access nodes and providing a high-speed wireless (not show) data service for the access nodes (col.1, lines 26-34);

updating state information of the access nodes to busy state information (fig.4-8d, col.3, lines 1-47);

when the high-speed wireless (not show) data service for the access nodes is completed (col.1, lines 26-34), carrying out a call connection release (not show); and

updating the state information of the access nodes to idle state information according to the call connection release (not show) (fig.4-8d, col.3, lines 1-47).

Suda fails to specifically disclose transmitting the state information of the access nodes to the public network in response to a public network requesting the state information of the access nodes. However, Basu teaches transmitting the state information of the access nodes to the public network in response to a public network requesting the state information of the access nodes (fig.1 and 5D, col.13, lines 10-14 and 22-33). Therefore, it would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art at the time invention was made to apply to teaching of Basu to Suda to provide a method for implementing a private wireless communication system while still maintaining the availability of technology.

Suda and Basu fail to specifically disclose high-speed wireless, and carrying out a call connection release and the call connection release. However, Lu teaches high-speed wireless (hybrid network), and carrying out a call connection release (fig.18, col.33, lines 3-36) and the call connection release (fig.18, col.33, lines 3-36). Therefore, it would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art at the time invention was made to apply the teaching of Lu to Suda and Basu to exchange network resources between private network and public network (improve communication quality and network bandwidth, while simplifying implementation, maintenance, and upgrade).

Regarding claim 20, Suda teaches a computer-readable medium having stored thereon a data structure for performing a call processing operation to manage state information of access nodes in a high-speed wireless (not show) data system (fig.1,

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PHS base stations 2-1, 2-2, mobile stations 6-1,6-2, 6-3, 6-4, switching network 1, control unit 4, memory 5), comprising:

a first field containing data representing when an access node (fig.1, mobile stations 6-1, PHS base stations 2-1) coupled to a wireless private network makes a request for a call connection with another access node (col.3, lines 11-29) coupled to the wireless private network(fig.1, control unit 4, switching network 1, col.2, lines 52-58, col.3, lines 11-14), allowing a private access network controller to carry out a call connection between the access nodes (fig.4-8d, col.3, lines 1-47) and to provide a high-speed wireless (not show) data service for the access nodes (col.1, lines 26-34);

a second field containing data representing allowing the private access network controller to request that state information of the access nodes be updated (fig.4-8d, col.3, lines 1-47);

a third field containing data representing allowing a data location register to update the state information of the access nodes to busy state information according to a state information update request (fig.4-8d, col.3, lines 1-47);

a fourth field containing data representing when the high-speed wireless (not show) data service for the access nodes is completed (col.1, lines 26-34), carrying out a call connection release between the access nodes (not show) and allowing the private access network controller to request that the state information of the access nodes be updated (col.1, lines 26-34); and

a fifth field containing data representing allowing the data location register to update the state information of the access nodes to idle state information according to another state information update request (fig.4-8d, col.3, lines 1-47).

Suda fails to specifically disclose a sixth field containing data representing allowing the data location register to transmit the state information of the access nodes to a public network in response to a request for the state information of the access nodes by the public network. However, Basu teaches a sixth field containing data representing allowing the data location register to transmit the state information of the access nodes to a public network in response to a request for the state information of the access nodes by the public network (fig.1 and 5D, col.13, lines 10-14 and 22-33). Therefore, it would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art at the time invention was made to apply to teaching of Basu to Suda to provide a method for implementing a private wireless communication system while still maintaining the availability of technology.

Suda and Basu fail to specifically disclose high-speed wireless, and carrying out a call connection release between the access nodes. However, Lu teaches high-speed wireless (hybrid network), and carrying out a call connection release between the access nodes (fig.18, col.33, lines 3-36). Therefore, it would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art at the time invention was made to apply the teaching of Lu to Suda and Basu to exchange network resources between private network and public network (improve communication quality and network bandwidth, while simplifying implementation, maintenance, and upgrade).

Regarding claim 21, Suda, Basu, and Lu further teach the method of claim 1, with a updating state information of the access nodes (see Suda, fig.4-8d, col.5, lines 13-23) accommodating a public network to recognize state information of a private network subscriber located in a private (see Suda, fig.4-8d, col.3, lines 1-47, col.5, lines 13-23) and public cell area (see Suda, col.2, lines 52-58) by transmitting terminal state information from the private network to the public network in a mobile communication system interworked with the public and private networks (see Basu, fig.1 and 5D, col.13, lines 10-14 and 22-33).

Regarding claim 22 is rejected with the same reasons set forth in claim 21.

Regarding claim 23, Suda, Basu, and Lu further teach the computer-readable medium having computer-executable instructions for performing a method for performing a call processing operation to manage state information of access nodes in a high-speed wireless data system of claim 18, with said updating state information of the access nodes (see Suda, fig.1, fig.4-8d, col.5, lines 13-23) accommodating a public network to recognize state information of a private network subscriber located in a private (see Suda, fig.4-8d, col.3, lines 1-47, col.5, lines 13-23) and public cell area (see Suda, col.2, lines 52-58) by transmitting terminal state information from the private network to the public network in a mobile communication system inteworked with the public and private networks (see Basu, fig.1 and 5D, col.13, lines 10-14 and 22-33).

Regarding claim 24 is rejected with the same reasons set forth in claim 23.

5. Claims 5-7 and 16-17 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Suda (U.S.Pat-6122518) in view of Basu et al. (U.S.Pat-6219539) in view of Lu et al. (U.S.Pat-5999813), and further in view of Nelakanti et al. (U.S.Pub-20060019664).

Regarding claim 5, Suda, Basu, and Lu further teach the method of claim 4, with the private access network controller (see Basu, fig.7) and

However, Suda, Basu, and Lu fail to specifically disclose the data location register being configured to being based on an Internet protocol. Nelakanti teaches the data location register being configured to being based on an Internet protocol ([0047], [0049]-[0050]). Therefore, it would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art at the time invention was made to apply to teaching of Nelakanti to Suda, Basu, and Lu to permits users to operate freely in both public and private wireless networks using standard mobile stations while achieving high private network data rates.

Regarding claim 6, Suda, Basu, Lu, and Nelakanti further teach the method of claim 5, with the private access network controller sending a state information update request message including current state information of the originating access node (see Suda, fig.4, col.3, lines 1-47) and the terminating access node to the data location register (see Suda, fig.4, col.3, lines 1-47).

Regarding claim 7, Suda, Basu, Lu, and Nelakanti further teach the method of claim 5, with the private access network controller sending a request message indicating the state information of the originating access node (see Suda, fig.4-8d, col.2, line 52 to col.3, lines 47) and the terminating access node to be updated to busy state

information (see Suda, fig.3-4, col.3, lines 1-47) and the data location register searching for the subscriber information upon receiving the state information update request (see Suda, fig.4-8d, col.2, line 52 to col.3, lines 47) and updating the access node state information to busy state information (see Suda, fig.4, col.3, lines 1-47).

Regarding claim 16 is rejected with the same reasons set forth in claim 5.

Regarding claim 17 is rejected with the same reasons set forth in claim 7.

Conclusion

6. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to KHAI M. NGUYEN whose telephone number is (571)272-7923. The examiner can normally be reached on 8:00-5:00.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Vincent P. Harper can be reached on 571.272.7605. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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